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NEW SCHEMES OF ICAR
SAMAR CHOUDHURY

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the eight new initiatives under new schemes of ICAR have beenextended to each of the North-East States and the funds provided for those initiatives;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the projects in ICAR including Institutes, National Research CentresProjects Directorates and other plan/schemes extended to each of the State for operation in 2000-2001?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR DEBENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) & (b) Since the New initiatives of ICAR are based on specific needs of the country which includes production of improved varieties of crops and animals species for different agro-climatic conditions, these are not feasible to be extended to all the North-Eastern States. However, Rs. 56.31 crore (approximately 10% of the Annual Budget) have been earmarked during 2000-2001 for ICAR programmes which include Rs. 6..00 crore of the World Bank Aided National Agricultural Technology Project (new initiative of IX Plan) for its activities to be undertaken in NOrth Eastern States.

(c) The ICAR is operating the following Institutes, National Research Centres (NRCs) and other Plan Projects in North Eastern States:

i. ICAR Research Compled for NEH Region at Shillong, Meghalaya
ii. Central Agricultural University, Manipur
iii. NRC for Mithun, Jharnapani, Nagaland
iv. NRC for Yak, Dirang, Arunachal Pradesh
v. 10 Centres of other ICAR Institutes
vi. 43 Centres of All India Coordinated Research Projects
vii. 13 Krishi Vigyan Kendras, Trainers Training Centre and Zonal Coordinating Unit
viii. Development Grant to Assam Agricultural University